

**Amendments to Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior revisions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-9 (cancelled)

10. (Original) An axle assembly comprising:  
a tubular member having an outer wall and an interior cavity, said outer wall including a first interlocking feature; and  
an axle component mounting member arranged on a portion of said outer wall, said mounting member including a second interlocking feature coacting with said first interlocking feature to affix said mounting member and tubular member to one another.
11. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein said mounting member is a bearing shoulder sleeve.
12. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein said mounting member is a brake flange.
13. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, further including a material disposed between said portion of said outer wall and mounting member.
14. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein said interlocking features include complimentary splines.

15. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein said second interlocking feature is a hole and said first interlocking feature is a protrusion extending into said hole.

16. (Original) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein said mounting member includes a generally concave annular surface in engagement with said portion of said tubular member.